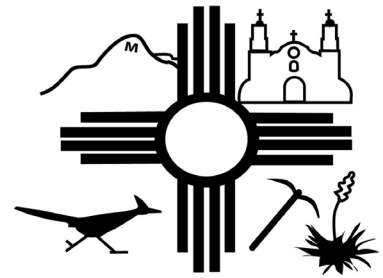


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## City Hall Remodeled!

Have you walked into City Hall lately? In less than a month, while working around employees and without closing its doors, our City Hall has been remodeled—the dark wood paneling has been removed, the carpet replaced. It's much lighter and brighter, with new paint and tile flooring. The sliding glass doors have been removed. Oh, you hadn't noticed them? They were walls—there was one in Chief Financial Officer Mable Gonzales's office and another office had sliding glass doors on three sides! Now the walls are solid, all the copy supplies have a closet of their own and it feels like City Hall has come into the 21st century with a little style.

Once upon a time the building was the First National Bank of Socorro. The City bought it back in the 1980s when Tony Jaramillo was mayor. Eventually a wing was added for the mayor's office, the clerk's office, a lobby, restrooms and the Council Chambers.

The most important upgrade, at least to those who work there, was an increase in the number of electrical outlets in each office. Computers and electronics play a much greater role in City services than in the 1980s!



A contractor works in the ceiling during the remodeling project at City Hall.

**Mark your calendar** The last weekend in September is stacking up to be a busy one with plenty of activities for every member of the family. Start the day at the Farmers Market on the Plaza from 9-11, then head for the Socorro Airport for the M Mountain Fly-In. You'll see all kinds of aircraft: vintage planes, warbirds, homebuilt and experimental models, and radio-controlled aircraft as well as some interesting demonstrations and exhibits. From there you can stop by Puerta del Sol Alpacas (at the intersection of Highway 1 and Windy's Farm Road) on your way to San Antonio's Harvest Festival. The aroma of roasting green chiles will reel you into the San Antonio park where you'll enjoy local musicians and vendors, antique cars and tractors, and a petting zoo sponsored by 4-H. Our local National Wildlife Refuges, Bosque del Apache to the south and Sevilleta to the north, will be celebrating National Public Lands Day on Saturday. You can read about the activities they're sponsoring at [www.publiclandsday.org](http://www.publiclandsday.org).

### Employee Anniversaries

Shanon Crespín	25 years
Donna Griffith	15 years
Reynaldo Peralta	5 years

### City Council

Mary Ann Chavez-Lopez	Nick Fleming
Gordy Hicks	Toby Jaramillo
Donald Monette	Michael Olguin, Jr.
Ernest Pargas, Jr.	Peter D. Romero
Ravi Bhasker, Mayor	Pat Salome, Clerk